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# Neighborhood Cluster



Cluster

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14

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#### **Physical Characteristics and Assets**

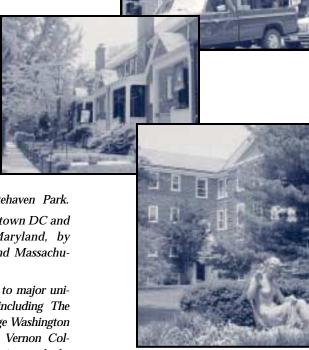
Cluster 14 is defined by its attractive treelined streets, stable neighborhoods, and proximity to open space. From a historical perspective, neighborhoods in this Cluster developed because of the proximity to the Georgetown seaport.

Many large farms and estates were built throughout Cluster 14 in the 19th century. In 1898, John R. McLean who owned the Washington Post, bought one of the largest estates in the area and renamed it Friendship. The last remaining portions of the estate were sold to the U.S. government in 1941 to build McLean Gardens, which was initially housing for civilian World War II workers. Glover Park, Cathedral Heights, and Massachusetts Avenue Heights trace their development back to the 1920s. By the 1950s, most of the neighborhoods were built-out to the way they currently exist.

Today, the Cluster is predominately residential but is rather unusual in Ward 3 because of its higher densities and its housing variety. The housing ranges from single-family detached houses in Massachusetts Avenue Heights, to attached rowhomes in Glover Park, to high-rise apartment and condominium buildings along Cathedral and New Mexico Avenues. There are two main commercial areas for the Cluster along Wisconsin Avenue. One is centered at Macomb Street and the other is in Glover Park, from Calvert Street to Whitehaven Parkway.

#### Key assets and features of Cluster 14 include the following:

- A variety of housing stock and a strong real estate market.
- Direct access to open space, including Glover Archbold Park and Whitehaven Park.
- Easy accessibility to downtown DC and Montgomery County, Maryland, by traveling on Wisconsin and Massachusetts Avenues.
- Proximity and accessibility to major universities and institutions including The American University, George Washington University (GWU)-Mount Vernon College, Georgetown University and the National Cathedral.
- One of the region's best public elementary schools (in terms of test scores): Stoddert School.
- The Wisconsin Avenue commercial area's with its variety of neighborhood-serving retail opportunities.
- Glover Park's annual neighborhood day celebration in June.



#### Recent Neighborhood Activity

- Alban Towers, at 2901 Wisconsin Avenue, was restored into apartment homes.
- The planned renovation and expansion of the Giant Food store at Wisconsin Avenue and Newark Street.